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REMARKS

Claims 13-19 and 49 are pending in the instant application.

Claims 13 and 49 are allowed.

Claims 15, 17 and 19 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but have been indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims.

Claims 14, 16 and 18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention. In particular, the Examiner suggest that it is ambiguous what metes and bounds are encompassed by the recitation of "differentiating conditions" in that no "effective mount and a[ny] factor" is recited in these claims, and in which the differentiating conditions", and glial cell types produced, differ in each of these claims.

Thus, in an earnest effort to advance the prosecution of this case, and in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion, Applicants have amended claims 14, 16 and 18 to incorporate limitations of claim 15, 17 and 19, respectively. Claims 15, 17 and 19 have been canceled in light of these amendments.

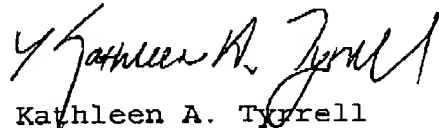
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Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 14, 16 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph and the objection to claims 15, 17 and 19, is respectfully requested in light of these amendments.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that the foregoing comprises a full and complete response to the Office Action of record. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and subsequent allowance of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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